

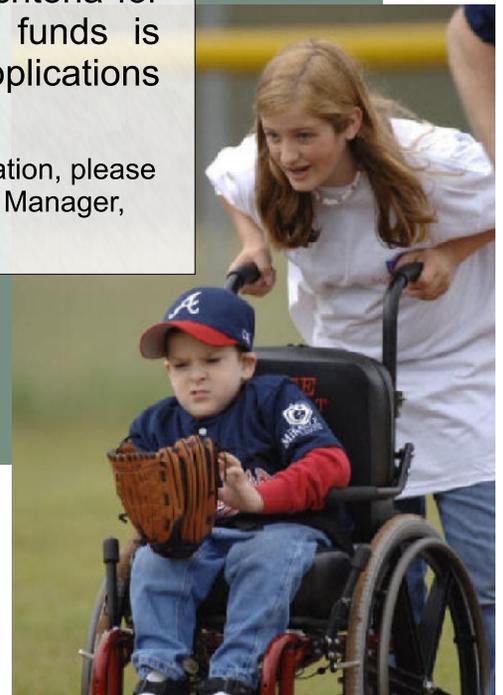
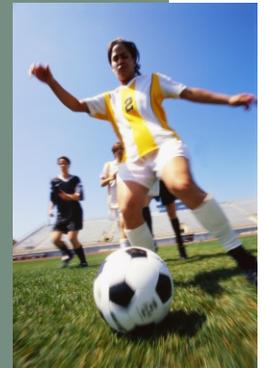
Park Partnership Matching Funds Program

The Parks and Recreation Department is proud to announce our new "Park Partnership Matching Funds" Grant Program. This new grant program provides \$250,000 of matching funds over the next three years to leverage improvements in local parks with various public and private partners such as neighborhood groups, rotary clubs, private businesses and other civic-minded organizations.

The Department's goal is to empower community groups to take an active role in improving our parks and park facilities, thereby making our neighborhoods- and our community overall- a better place to live, work and play.

The Parks Department's proposed criteria for evaluating projects and awarding funds is outlined on the back of this flyer. Applications are due October 6, 2006.

To discuss your project and receive an application, please contact Gordon Robertson, Parks Planning Manager, at 817.459.5492.



PARK PARTNERS MATCHING FUNDS PROGRAM

Project Guidelines:

- 1:1 minimum match required
- All funds necessary to complete the project, including matching funds, must be available within 1 year; project complete within 2 years (if deadlines are not met, funding will be redistributed to a future call for projects)
- Recommended maximum award: \$50,000 (can be higher with Director Approval)
- Applications due October 6, 2006
- City will bid and construct all projects unless otherwise agreed to by City
- Projects must be on City park property
- Parks staff will review and score applications and forward recommended list for review and approval by the Parks Board
- Applicants awarded funding will be required to provide semi-annual status reports to the Parks Department until project completion

Criteria for Selection:

- If project is called for in master plan, project will be awarded additional points
- If match exceeds 1.5:1, project will be awarded additional points
- Projects with lower O&M impacts or which reduce existing maintenance liability will be awarded additional points
- Projects that have demonstrated a large amount of citizen support will be awarded additional points
- Projects that promote public art (as defined by the City's new public art guidelines) will be awarded additional points
- Projects with available matching funds at the time of application will be awarded additional points
- Applicants that propose projects that are considered "sustainable", either through durability of material/construction method or by providing a commitment for ongoing maintenance funding, will be awarded additional points

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